in service, it would be a strong impetus to the young men and also induce the uneducated parents to send their boys and girls to schools and Colleges. A community should not convert all its young men into farmers and traders, but it was highly necessary that each community should contribute its share of young men to the learned professions as well. He, therefore, requested that Tamilians be more freely appointed in the public service and that those who were in service be encouraged by giving them all legitimate promotions at least.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

166. Needs of the Eraniel taluk.

Mr. V. Velayudhaperumal Pillai (Member, Eraniel taluk) said that about 75 per cent. of the cases on the file of the Munsiff's courts at Thuckalai were from the Eraniel taluk and that the *pakuthies* of Colachel, Midalam, Killiyoor and Manavalakurichi in the Eraniel taluk, which were under the territorial jurisdiction of the above courts, were far away from Thuckalai where the courts were located. He, therefore, requested that the Additional Munsiff's Court at Thuckalai be shifted to Eraniel.

The Member next pointed out that the Manavalakurichi *pakuthi*, which was under the territorial jurisdiction of the Alur Sub-Registry office, was nearer to the Colachel and Eraniel Sub-registry offices than to the Alur office. He, therefore, requested that the Alur Sub-registry office should be located in a central and more convenient place, preferably in Santhanpuram.

The Member then urged the execution of the following public works as being the other needs of the taluk:—

(1) The road from the Eraniel Monday Market to Thalakulam should be extended so as to join the Eraniel-Muttam road and made cartable.

(2) The village road from the Monday Market to the Colachel-Rajakkamangalam road should be gravelled and made cartable.

(3) The bridge near the 10th mile stone on the Colachel-Rajakkamangalam road which was in a dangerous condition should be repaired.

(4) Arrangements should be made for the supply of water to the people in the Nattalam, Killiyoor, Kizhmidalam and other *pakuthies* for irrigation purposes.

(5) The lands lower down the Erattakara Channel should be properly irrigated.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

167. Needs of the Vilavancode taluk.

Mr. N. Sankaranarayana Pillai (Member, Vilavancode taluk) complained that the people of the taluk who were mainly agriculturists experienced much hardship and loss on account of the scarcity of water for irrigation purposes. The Kodayar Project was not of any real benefit to the people of the Vilavancode taluk. There was an old dam in the Kuzhithura river near 'Mannanpara' and if that be repaired and put in order, it would command a large area of paddy fields in the northern *pakuthies* of the taluk. The cost of repair could be recovered from the ryots by imposing a water-cess. If that proposal did not commend itself to Government, the numerous tanks in the taluk, which were greatly useful for irrigation purposes but were not properly cared for, should be repaired and maintained on the advice of a Committee which should be constituted for the purpose. Steps should also be taken to remove the encroachments on many tanks by the adjoining land-owners.

The Member then urged the following other needs of the taluk:—

(1) The road from the Thoduvetti market to Azhanchola, which was about 8 miles in length, should be improved.

(2) The pathway leading from the 4th mile stone of the above road to the Kalikkavila market, should be widened and improved.

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